

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1493
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ALLOTMENT OF PCO BOOTHS IN WEST BENGAL
BIR SING MAHATO

Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

- (a) whether undue delay is being caused in allocation of PCO booths due to not convening of the PCO allocation committee meeting on Purulia region of West Bengal;
- (b) if so, the reasons therefor alongwith the reaction of the Government thereto; and
- (c) the total number of persons applied for PCO's till date alongwith the number of persons who have not yet been allotted PCO booth alongwith the dates from which these applications are pending?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (BIR SING MAHATO)

- (a) No, Sir.
- (b) Does not arise in view of (a) above.
- (c) Till dated 943 applications were received out of which, 199 have been allotted PCOs and the remaining are pending as per details given below:
 - (i) Applications pending for less than 1 year - 533
 - (ii) Applications pending for 1 year to 2 years - 211
 - (iii) Oldest date of application pending - 11-04-2000